IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

STATE OF NEW MEXICO, ex rel. State Engineer,

Plaintiff,

v.

RAMON ARAGON, et al.,

Defendants.

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RIO CHAMA STREAM SYSTEM

NEW MEXICO'S SEMIANNUAL HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY STATUS REPORT

COMES NOW Plaintiff State of New Mexico, ex rel. State Engineer and files this semiannual status report for the hydrographic surveys of the Rio Chama Stream system.

Section 7 – Rio Chama above El Vado Dam:

The hydrographic survey report for the second subsection of Section 7, Rio Brazos, was completed on December 18, 2001, and filed with the Court on December 21, 2001. The total surveyed area of the Rio Brazos subsection amounts to 3,703.2 acres.

Field survey work for the third subsection of Section 7 – Rutheron/Plaza Blanca – has been completed and the preparation of final maps is underway. The state expects that the report for the Rutheron/Plaza Blanca subsection will be complete and filed with the Court in February 2002. Work on the final two subsections – Canones Creek and the Village of Chama – remains approximately 80% and 50% complete. Additional fieldwork in these areas will be scheduled during the summer of 2002 in order to complete these surveys. Fieldwork in these subsections has been delayed due to staffing limitations and the need to concentrate the work of available field staff during the summer of

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2001 in follow-up subfile work in Sections 3 and 5.

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